BOARD OF PAROLE HEARINGS Executive Board Meeting June 21 & 22, 2021

June 21, 2021

Meeting called to order at 01:03 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioners Anderson, Barton, Cassady, Chappell, De la Torre, Dobbs, Grounds, Gutierrez, Long, Minor, Ruff, San Juan, Schneider, Sharrieff, Taira, and Thornton present. Commissioner Sullivan absent.

Commissioner ANDERSON stated that the majority of currently-appointed commissioners are present.

In compliance with Executive Order N-28-20, and to minimize the spread and mitigate the effects of COVID-19, the meeting was conducted by telephone.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner CASSADY moved to approve the consent calendar. Commissioner DOBBS seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Report from Executive Officer, Jennifer Shaffer

SHAFFER stated that the Board and staff members participated in the Association of Paroling Authorities International's Annual Training Conference. She also summarized various measures being considered through the State budget process, including increasing the Board by four commissioners, increasing payments to inmate panel attorneys, and the authority to continue conducting parole hearings by videoconference. SHAFFER stated that the Board would be reaching out to stakeholders to identify hearings that would need to be held in-person in order to establish effective communication between hearing panels and incarcerated persons. In addition, SHAFFER summarized Assembly Bill 1210, which is currently pending before the legislature.

Report from Chief Counsel, Jessica Blonien

BLONIEN stated that the Board is drafting elderly parole regulations, which the Board will consider at next month's meeting. BLONIEN stated that the case of RUSSELL, ALBERT (E83491) has been removed from the agenda.

Report from Chief Deputy, Program Operations, Sandra Maciel

MACIEL stated that statewide institution gate clearance list expired on May 21, 2021. Documents to renew the clearance have been sent to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. MACIEL also gave a staffing update.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

Permanent Regulations Governing Hearings where a Comprehensive Risk Assessment Is not Required, presented by Jessica Blonien, Chief Counsel. BLONIEN summarized the regulations.

Commissioner LONG moved to approve the proposed comprehensive risk assessment regulations. Commissioner ANDERSON seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

EN BANC REFERRALS

Referral pursuant to Penal Code section 3041 when there is a tie vote.

A. NEWMAN, JOHN P49993

No public comment permitted

Referral to consider for a rescission hearing pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044, subdivision (b), and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2450 et seq

C. ANDERSON, RICHARD C79045

No speakers.

Referral by the Governor pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044, subdivision (b), to request review of a parole decision by the full board.

D. BANKS, TERRENCE AC0655

The victim and a representative of the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

E. BLANCO, JOSE K05877

A representative of the Orange County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

F. CLOSNER, LESLIE

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The inmate's friends, family members and attorney, R. ANDREW MURRAY, supported the parole grant.

The victim's family recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

G. DOYLE, DOUGLAS F63064

The inmate's friends and family members supported the parole grant.

A representative of the Placer County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

OPEN COMMENTS

VANESSA NELSON-SLOANE, Life Support Alliance, expressed concern that the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation does not grant credits to inmates who completed correspondence programming during the COVID pandemic.

Meeting recessed at 02:33 p.m.

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June 22, 2021

Meeting called to order at 10:03 a.m.

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EN BANC REFERRALS

Referral by the Governor pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044, subdivision (b), to request review of a parole decision by the full board.

H. GRIFFIN, DE ANDRE F33004

MACKAYLA CHAPA, representative of the inmate's attorney's office, supported the parole grant.

I. HARRIS, ORLANDO D03762

The inmate's family, friends and attorney, KEITH WATTLEY, supported the parole grant.

J. HUN, LA G68478

The victim recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

K. HURTADO, ANTHONY AF6167

No speakers

L. IBRAHIM, MARCO V69595

No speakers.

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M. KAZAS, CHRISTOPHER T50271

The inmate's family supported the parole grant.

The victim, victim's family and a representative of Sonoma County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

N. LOSADA, VIRGINIA W22801

A representative of Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

O. MENDEZ, OMAR P95679

The inmate's family and friends supported the parole grant.

A representative of San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

P. STANSELL, JACQUORIE AR5450

No speakers

Q. TARVAN, DAVID E76518

The inmate's attorney, CATHERINE SNYDER, supported the parole grant.

A representative of Mariposa County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

R. WHIGHAM, MACK P13476

The victim's family and friends recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

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Referral by a hearing panel member pursuant to Penal Code section 3041(a)(5) and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044(a) to request review of a parole decision by the full board.

S. JARRETT, FREDERICK D14287

The inmate's family supported the parole grant.

A representative of Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office submitted on the hearing transcript.

OPEN COMMENTS

VANESSA NELSON-SLOANE, Life Support Alliance, stated that inmates have expressed concern about the comprehensive risk assessment regulations that were approved yesterday.

MADDIE FLOOD expressed concern about the Board's decision to limit public comment on some en banc referrals to two minutes.

Meeting recessed at 12:38 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 3:36 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.



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